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AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CONSULAR CORPS OF THE ALPES MARITIMES (NICE) FEBRUARY 15, 1978
THE ALGERIAN CONSUL MADE A STRONG PITCH TO HAVE THE CORPS ISSUE A STATEMENT EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT AND CONDEMNING THE ATTACKS AND VIOLENCE ON IMMIGRANT WORKERS. HE SUGGESTED IT BE FORWARDED TO THE PREFET AND MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PRESS. SINCE ONLY THREE ATTENDING THE MEETING WERE CAREER OFFICERS (ITALIAN, ALGERIAN AND U.S.A.) THE REST ARE HONORARY CONSULS AND FOR THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MOST PART FRENCH. AFTER SOME DEBATE IT WAS AGREED THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT HAVE THE COMPETENCE TO ISSUE SUCH A STATEMENT. FROM REMARKS BY SEVERAL FRENCH SITTING CLOSE TO ME IT WAS CLEAR THEY WERE OFFENDED BY THE SUGGESTION. IN A BRIEF CONVERSATION AFTERWARD WITH THE ALGERIAN CONSUL HE TOLD ME THAT HIS CONSULAR DISTRICT (ALPES MARITIMES, VAR, ALPES DE HAUTE PRO-

VENCE AND CORSICA) CONTAINED 35,000 ALGERIAN WORKERS. VIOLENCE AND THREATS AGAINST THEM ARE ENOUGH OF A PROBLEM THAT HE FELT THE EFFORT AT THE CONSULAR CORPS MEETING WAS NECESSARY. HE ADDED THAT HE ALWAYS RECEIVED SATISFACTION FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES WHEN REPORTING AN INCIDENT BUT LEFT ME WITH THE IMPRESSION HE WAS UNDER ORDERS TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN SOME SORT OF SEMI-OFFICIAL AND PUBLIC EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN THE PROBLEM.

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